

John Borich Shot By Firing Squad for Killing Woman

John Borich, an Austrian, confessed slayer of Mrs. Velma Adkins, alias Green, of Twin Falls, Idaho, in Tootle county, Utah, last September, was executed in the state prison at 8:27 a. m. today.

The knowledge that he was to die in the morning failed to keep Borich awake. He slept peacefully, last night, the death watch declared, and ate breakfast this morning before the death warrant was read by Sheriff Adamson of Tootle county.

Then the walk to death was begun. Borich was seated in the chair opposite the curtain enclosure, behind which the five riflemen stood with loaded arms.

Who these men are, who accepted jobs as executioners is known only to Sheriff Adamson and one or two others. They were brought to the prison in a closed car early in the morning and took their places to await the signal.

Prison Grows Silent.

About 8:25 o'clock, Borich was blindfolded and a target placed over his heart. The few who were permitted inside the walls to witness the execution, became silent and many were pale. Through the entire prison there was silence. The prisoners were listening for the volley that would send Borich to his death.

Then at a signal from Sheriff Adamson the rifle barrels protruded. The man behind each gun was an expert shot. Short aim was taken.

"Fire," said the sheriff.

There was a sharp report. The target on the prisoner's breast was pierced in the center. Borich's head fell forward. His body quivered slightly. The muscles relaxed.

He was dead.

Borich appeared before the state board of pardons yesterday and asked that his sentence be commuted to life imprisonment, but his plea was denied.

GROSS MISMANAGEMENT IS CHARGED AGAINST THE U. S. HOUSING BOARD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Inefficiency, carelessness and a disregard of the provisions of the act under which it operated were charged against the United States housing corporation by the senate public buildings and grounds investigating subcommittee today in a report recommending that steps be taken to recover many thousands of dollars alleged by the subcommittee to have been expended improperly by the corporation.

Mismanagement by the corporation, the report as submitted to the senate, resulted in its failure to have ready for occupancy a single building until almost two months after the armistice was signed, or eight months after the passage of the appropriation act.

Although citing specific expenditures sufficiently grave to warrant the government in entering civil suits for restitution, the report expresses the opinion that in most of these cases the persons who profited will restore voluntarily the alleged unearned portion.

Other recommendations made by the subcommittee provide that architects, who, it is charged, were paid excessively for "overhead" expenses, be called upon to give the committee an exact statement of the amount of their overhead expenditures. These employees of the corporation, the committee believes were not parties to intentional violation of the law and "if they are actuated by the patriotic principles attributed to them they will refund the sums paid them in excess of the exact cost of the overhead. The amount the subcommittee considers recoverable from this source is placed at \$50,000.

Civil suits to recover \$20,000 spent for "extras" and \$15,000 charged to subletting of labor by a contracting firm also was recommended by the committee in event of a failure to return the money voluntarily. The "extras" were charged as incident to the construction of dormitories in Washington for women war workers, in connection with which it was alleged original estimates were radically altered indicating a willingness to "substitute the contractor's demands for the estimating division's judgment."

Regularity of a loan for a half million dollars made to the Springfield Consolidated water company of Philadelphia, also was questioned in the committee's report, together with "other loans to railroads, street railways and utility companies."

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CARUSO HAS DAUGHTER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A daughter was born tonight to Mrs. Enrico Caruso, formerly Miss Dorothy Park Benjamin of New York, who was married to the tenor in August, 1918.

PROGRAM IS ARRANGED FOR CONVENTION OF WOOLMEN

The program has been completed for the annual convention of the Utah State Woolgrowers' association, which will be held January 16 and 17 at the Hotel Utah. C. B. Stewart, secretary of the association, announced yesterday.

This is the first convention of the association for two years, the meeting last year having been postponed because of the influenza epidemic. For this reason, and because of the many important questions of interest to sheepmen which will be considered, a large attendance is expected, Mr. Stewart said.

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Harvard Football Team Prepares to Leave for Coast

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 19.—The Harvard football team which will play the University of Oregon at Pasadena, Cal., on New Year's day refrained from practice today and prepared for its westward journey tomorrow. The official football party will consist of 23 players, ten coaches, trainers and physicians and several newspapermen. A special send-off will be given the team when it boards the Wolverine express at 2 o'clock in the south station.

Every member of the team saw service in the war. All of the first string men enlisted immediately after war was declared. The younger members of the squad were in the students training corps. Five coaches were in foreign service.

The team will stop over in Chicago four hours on Sunday. At San Francisco the players will be the guests of the local Harvard club on Christmas Day. They are expected to arrive at Los Angeles on the morning of December 26. Several times each day of the journey, where train stops permit, the team will have setting up exercises and brief signal practice.

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SNOW FALLING IN EASTERN STATES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Snow was falling today over most of the middle Atlantic states and the Ohio and upper Mississippi river valleys. Reports of the weather bureau indicated that the fall would continue tonight and possibly tomorrow.

The storm was expected to extend into New England during the day. The temperature has moderated generally in the Mexican border states and in much of the country east of the Mississippi river, but readings remain much below normal in the region of the Great Lakes, the Ohio valley and the middle Atlantic and New England states.

Increases in Payrolls For the Year 1919

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Increases in the payrolls and the number experienced by the majority of 12 representative industries in November compared with November 1918 are shown in the figures made public today by the bureau of labor statistics.

In ten of the industries there was an increase in the number of persons employed in three, a decrease the report says, the largest increase 29.5 per cent, being shown in automobile manufacturing.

Increases in the amount of payrolls of 11 of the industries are reported, the largest 65.1 per cent being in men's clothing.

Fast Mail Train Collides With Dakota Passenger

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Dec. 19.—Northwestern fast mail train No. 9, westbound, ran into the rear of Sioux City-South Dakota passenger train near Missouri Valley today, telescoping the rear Pullman. It is reported that more than twenty were injured who are being brought to Council Bluffs and Omaha hospitals.

HUGE WATER STORAGE PROJECT OUTLINED AT MEETING

The executive committee of the Utah Water Storage association decided at a meeting held in its offices in the capital yesterday, to recommend that for the time being efforts be concentrated on the development of storage facilities in the Weber river. It was estimated that by the expenditure of \$4,000,000 some 60,000 acre-feet of water could be stored in Echo canyon and conducted to Weber and Davis counties by a canal that would be 228 feet higher than the Davis and Weber counties main canal. This would enable the irrigation of the entire "sand ridge" country, and the water could be brought down in Davis county through such a canal to a point not far from Centerville. By development of small storage reservoirs in Bonanza canyon—sites for which have not been investigated—or by other means, it is believed that virtually all the land in Davis county that can be economically irrigated could be brought under water.

The committee will recommend that charges be made against the counties or irrigation districts taking advantage of the investigations so far of the association, for the expenses incurred by the committee. In this manner the sum of more than \$12,000, which has already been expended, could come back to the association and be used as a sort of revolving fund for further investigations.

It was decided by the committee to call a general meeting of the association for Thursday, January 8, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time it is expected that the full report of the engineers of the association will have been prepared and the latest and most accurate information will have been digested and gotten into the form of dollars and cents and acre-feet.

Present at the meeting yesterday were I. N. Pierce of Ogden, chairman of the committee; W. R. Wallace, George F. McCongale, state engineer; J. L. Lytel, project manager of the Strawberry reclamation service project; LeRoy Dixon, mayor of Provo; A. F. Parker and Oro McDermitt, engineers for the association, and J. Leo Meehan, secretary of the association.

Written reports summing up the activities of the association are not yet available. Mr. Parker made a verbal report, in which he said that four reservoir sites had been surveyed, the Yellow creek, Beaver creek, Echo canyon and Lost creek, that lines have been run for seventy-four miles of canal, and that various other information, already prepared, had been digested and compiled in the office. Hard blows were received by some projects which have been considerably discussed in Mr. Parker's report.

To Relieve Catarrh, Catarrhal Deafness And Head Noises

Persons suffering from catarrhal deafness, or who are growing hard of hearing and have head noises will be glad to know that this distressing affliction can usually be successfully treated at home by an internal medicine that in many instances has effected complete relief after other treatments have failed. Sufferers who could scarcely hear have had their hearing restored to such an extent that the tick of a watch was plainly audible seven or eight inches away from either ear. Therefore, if you know of someone who is troubled with head noises or catarrhal deafness, cut out this formula and hand it to them and you may have been the means of saving some poor sufferer perhaps from total deafness. The prescription can be prepared at home and is made as follows:

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HOG BUSINESS DEMORALIZED.

TOPEKA, Kans., Dec. 18.—That the hog business in Kansas is sadly demoralized and the cattle business has been seriously curtailed, giving the meat making industry in the state a severe setback, is the statement made in a report issued today by J. C. Mohler, secretary of the state board of agriculture.

LOUISIANA SUGAR CROP.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—The Louisiana sugar crop this year is less than half of that of last year, according to the preliminary report for 1919 issued tonight by Lionel J. Jones, financial agent of the bureau of crop estimates.

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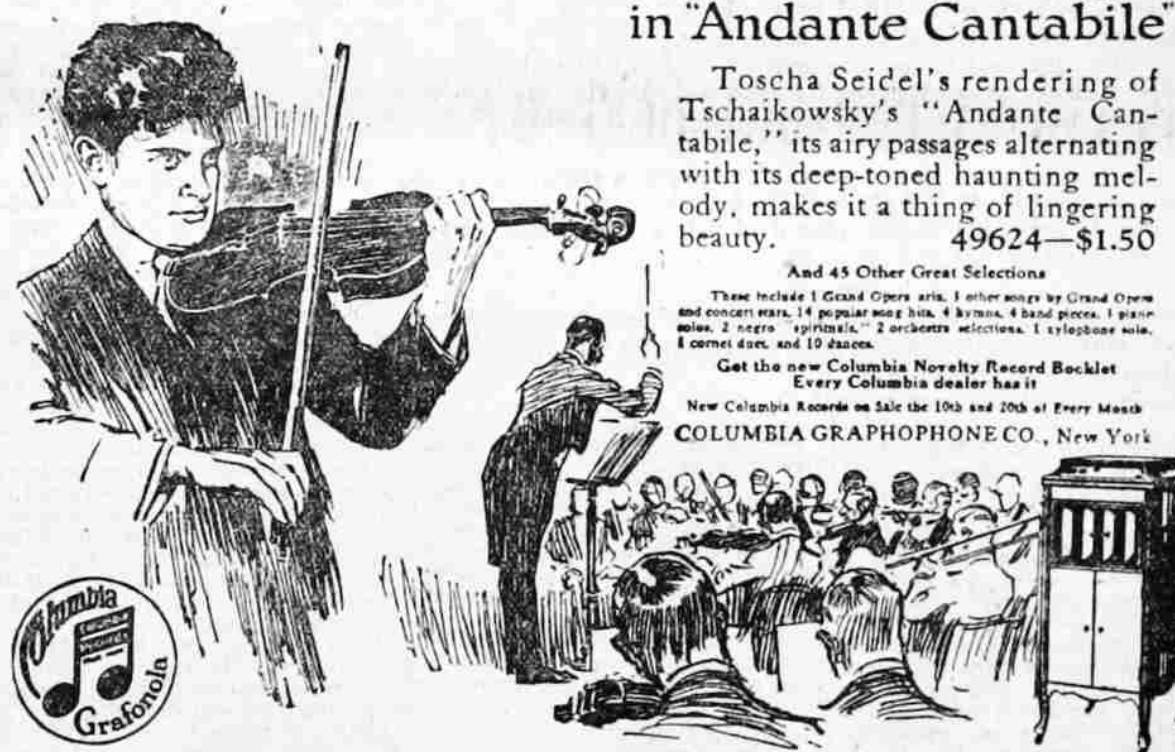
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